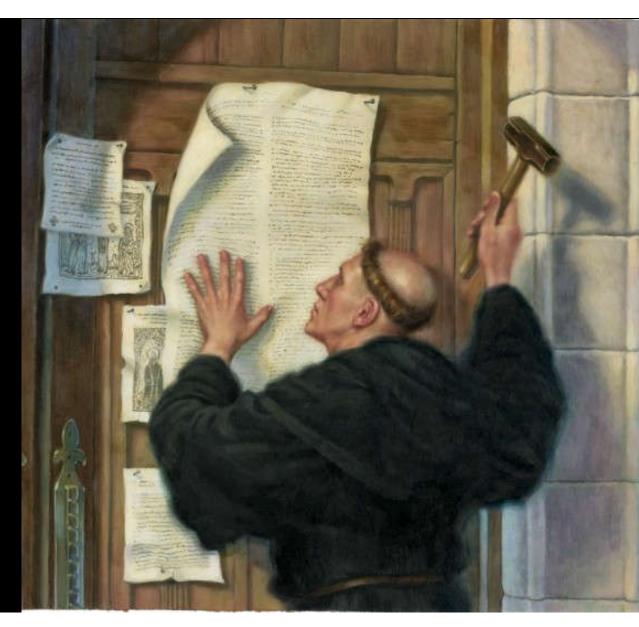
# THE REFORMATION

#### SOME MAJOR HISTORICAL PERIODS...

- The "Dark Ages," or, "The Middle Ages," from ~ 476 A.D., until the 14<sup>th</sup> Century.
- The Crusades, late 11<sup>th</sup> Century.
- The Renaissance, beginning in the 14<sup>th</sup> Century.
- BUT...the Catholic Church continued to focus on money, rather than on Biblical truth.

October 31, 1517 Martin Luther nailed his "95 Theses" on the door of the Catholic Church in Wittenburg, sparking the Reformation!



Sola scriptura Sola gratia Sola fide Solus Christus Soli Deo gloria

#### OTHER MAJOR FIGURES IN THE REFORMATION

- John Wycliffe, 1330–1384 A.D. (Translated Bible into English)
- Jan Hus, 1369–1415 A.D. (Czech reformer)
- Johannes Gutenberg, 1400–1468 A.D. (Printing!)
- Martin Luther, 1483–1546 A.D.
- Ulrich Zwingli, 1484–1531 A.D. (Switzerland)
- William Tyndale, 1494–1536 A.D. (England)
- John Calvin, 1509–1564 A.D. (France)
- Anabaptists

SO, while Martin Luther is probably the most well-known figure of the movement of the Reformation, there were actually many who were involved.

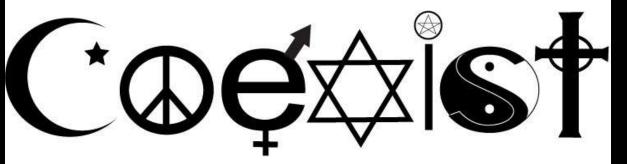
But concerning the TRUTH of the Reformation, there was only ONE involved...

#### SOLUS CHRISTUS!!!

#### Solus Christus...

Instead, our culture offers "religious pluralism"...

- All religions are equally true!
- All religions are equally valid!
- No religion has exclusive possession
  - of the truth!
- Therefore...



## Solus Christus, from John 5:16-44 Jesus is...

- The One Who is Equal to the Father, 17-18.
- The One Who is loved by the Father, 20.
- The One Who is the Life-Giver, 21.
- The One Who will judge!, 22.
- The One Who is worthy of honor, 23.
- The One Who was sent by the Father, 23.

## Solus Christus, from John 5:16-44 Jesus is...

- The One Who has the Word that leads to Eternal life, 24.
- The One Who will preach to the dead!, 25.
- The One Who has LIFE in Himself, 26.
- The One Who is The Son of God (25) AND The Son of Man (27)!
- The One Who will raise the dead, 28-29.

## Solus Christus, from John 5:16-44 Jesus is...

- The One Who does the will of the Father, 30.
- The One Who was prophesied in the Scriptures,
   39.
- The One Who came in His Father's Name, 43.
- The One Who Moses wrote about, 46.

# Solus Christus, from Other Scriptures Jesus is...

- The "Only-begotten" from the Father, John 1:14, 18; 3:16, 18; I John 4:19.
- The Only One Who has come down out of heaven, John 3:13-15.
- The Only One Who gives access to the Father, John 14:6.
- The Only Mediator, I Timothy 2:3-6, esp. <u>5</u>.

# Solus Christus, from Other Scriptures Jesus is...

- The Only God and King, I Timothy 1:17.
- The Only One Who gives access to the Father, John 14:6.
- The Only Mediator, I Timothy 2:3-6, esp. <u>5</u>.
- The Only Great High Priest, Hebrews 7:26-27.
- The Only Final Sacrifice for Sins, Hebrews 10:10, 12, 14, 18.

### Solus Christus, from Other Scriptures Jesus is...

- The Only Law-Giver and Judge, James 4:12.
- The Only Master (despotés) and Lord (kurios), Jude 4.
- The Only Name for Salvation, Acts 4:12!

"And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."

#### Solus Christus, The absolute uniqueness of Christ, Makes religious pluralism ridiculous!

# JESUS IS THE ONLY ONE!!!



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